Introduction of new trains

2450. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the introduction of new passenger trains and dieselisation of existing trains have been curtailed recently; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Keeping in view the resource position, Railways have to adopt a balanced policy in regard to meeting the various needs of economy including passenger traffic, movement of essential commodities etc.

Construction of buildings in the Banaras Hindu University

2451. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Banaras Hindu University has entrusted construction of buildings to some private firms;

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not entrusting the work to the Central Public Works Department;

(c) what are the details of the major and minor works given to the private parties by the Banaras Hindu University during the last three years; and

(d) whether Government propose to order an enquiry into this and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): (a) to (d) The information is being collected from the Banaras Hindu University and will be laid on the Table of the House in due course.

Names of recognised schools in zone 15

2452. SHRI SYED AHMAD HASHMI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state the names of the Middle/Higher Secondary/Senior Secondary Schools alongwith the names of their Headmasters/Headmistress/ Principals in Education Zone 15, of the Delhi Administration which have been given recognition during the last five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHTAGI): It has been reported by the Delhi Administration that the following two schools under Zone 15 have been given recognition during the last five years:—

(i) Sister Nivedita School (Middle), Mata Sundari Road, New Delhi. (Headmistress—Mrs. Surinder Walia).

(ii) Bal Sahyog, Connaught place, (Middle) School, New Delhi. (Headmistress—Mrs. Neena Sekhar).

Railway projects in Maharashtra

2453. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Maharashtra Government have recommended four railway projects to the Central Government for developing transport facilities in Marathwada;

(b) if so, what are the details of the projects; and

(c) what decision has been taken thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Requests have been received from the Government of Maharashtra for railway projects in Marathwada region. Details of these